enforce all the laws of North Carolina relating to the collection of taxes by

municipalities.

Sec. 4.6. City Treasurer. The City Manager shall appoint a City Treasurer, or Finance Officer, to perform the duties of the finance officer as required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act, and to perform such other duties as may be required by the Board.

Sec. 4.7. Consolidation of Functions. The Board of Aldermen may consolidate any two or more positions of the City Manager, City Clerk, City Tax Collector and City Treasurer, or may assign the functions of any one or more of these positions to the holder or holders of any other of these positions, subject to the

Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act and State law.

Sec. 4.8. Other Administrative Officers and Employees. Consistent with applicable State laws, the Board of Aldermen may establish other positions, provide for the appointment of other administrative officers and employees, and generally organize the City government in order to promote the orderly and efficient administration of the affairs of the City."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective June 30, 1982.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 11th day of June. 1982.

## H. B. 1491 CHAPTER 1135

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT OF THE HANDICAPPED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** Section 4.41(1) of the Charter of the City of Charlotte, being Chapter 713, Session Laws of 1965, as amended by Chapter 968, Session Laws of 1973, is amended by deleting the first paragraph and substituting in lieu thereof the following: "Employment shall be based on merit without regard to race, creed, color, sex, political affiliation, age or physical defect or impairment of the applicant unless the defect or impairment prevents the applicant from performing, with reasonable accommodation, an essential function of the employment sought."

**Sec. 2.** This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 11th day of June, 1982.

## H. B. 1492 CHAPTER 1136

AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MAXIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT FOR EMPLOYMENT BY THE CHARLOTTE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** Section 4.61(2)(b) of the Charter of the City of Charlotte, being Chapter 713, Session Laws of 1965, as rewritten by Chapter 449, Session Laws of 1979, is further amended by deleting the words "and shall not have attained their 35th birthday".

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 11th day of June, 1982.